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The Administrator
Washington, D.C. 20201

Ms. Jessie K. Rasmussen
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Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0114

~~Dear~~ Ms. Rasmussen:

We are pleased to inform you that the amendment to your State Children's Health Insurance **Program** (Title **XXI**) plan submitted on June 1, 1998 has been approved, **as** amended by the information you submitted on March 8. We appreciate the efforts of your staff and extend our congratulations to Iowa on the **approval** of your **plan** amendment.

The Department of Health and Human Services will continue to provide information related to areas **such as** enrollment **and** administrative simplification, models of successful outreach programs, comprehensive systems and measures of quality care, linkages to other children's health programs, and data options through state letters **and** through the departmental website. I hope you will find these resources helpful **as** you implement your program.

Due to staffing changes, **we are** assigning Mr. Edward Tregoe **as your** new project officer. Mr. Tregoe is available to answer any questions concerning the implementation of **your** Title **XXI** Program and can be reached at (410) **786-6827**. His address is:

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Mail Stop S2-01-16
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Official communications regarding program matters should be **sent** simultaneously to the project officer and to **Thomas** Lenz, Associate Regional Administrator for the Division of Medicaid and State Operations in the **Kansas** City Regional **Office**. Mr. Lenz's address is:

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Richard Bolling Federal Building
601 East 12th Street, Room 235
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Again, we extend our congratulations and look forward to working with you during the course of the program.

Sincerely,

**Nan*-Ann Min DeParle
Administrator**

cc: Kansas City Regional Office